

## Radio Alert Week of April 20

## MANAGEMENT OF THE BAY-DELTA AT ISSUE

The CALFED Bay-Delta Program, a collaborative effort among the state and federal governments and California's leading agricultural, urban and environmental interests has released three potential solutions to the environmental and water management problems of California's Bay Delta system. California's Bay-Delta system supplies drinking water for more than 22 million Californians and irrigation water for the state's \$24 billion agricultural industry. It supports more than 750 plant and animal species, some found nowhere else on earth. Years of conflict among urban, agricultural, environmental and other users have pushed the system to the brink of failure. Ultimately, Californian's trillion-dollar economy is at risk if a consensus solution to Bay-Delta problems is not reached.

## BAY-AREA COMMUNITITES HAVE A PARTICULAR STAKE IN FINDING A BAY-DELTA SOLUTION, INCLUDING:

- ➡ What will be the impact on local water quality and availability?
- → How are environmental problems of the Bay-Delta system being addressed in the plan?
- → How much will the solution cost and who will pay?

A public hearing will be held Thursday, April 23, at the Oakland Masonic Center in Oakland to hear from local residents. The following individuals are available for interviews during the weeks prior to the hearing.

Sunne McPeak, Vice Chair of the Bay-Delta Advisory Council and President & CEO, Bay Area Council or

Byron Buck, Member, Bay-Delta Advisory Council and Director, California Urban Water Agencies

To arrange an interview, please call Jill Esterbrooks at (619) 688-0054.

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Department of Water Resources
California Environmental Protection Agency
State Water Resources Control Board

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